From: Zhang, Xiao

Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2014 10:40 AM

**To:** Sims, Mark;Lieben, Ivan

**Subject:** RE: BLP FOIA Assignment for EPA-R9-2014-004671

Does this FOIA request only apply to emails between Enforcement and North Coast/BLP? Does this mean ORC is not being FOIA-ed? The permits office received a separate FOIA, which they are responding to separately.

Mark, I can review the documents once you've pulled them, if you'd like. Since we have a confidentiality agreement with North Coast, we may be able to withhold some communications that, if released, would interfere with our enforcement case.

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 18, 2014 11:46 AM

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From: Salazar, Matt

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 18, 2014 11:43 AM

To: Sims, Mark

Cc: Jones, Joel E.; Johnson, Ivry

**Subject:** assigning to Mark Sims FW: FOIA Assignment for EPA-R9-2014-004671

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Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 2:54 PM

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From: Lieben, Ivan

**Sent:** Monday, March 24, 2014 4:41 PM

To: Zhang, Xiao Cc: Sims, Mark

**Subject:** RE: A phone conference re Blue Lake Power?

Either of those other dates work for me as well, though on Monday, I leave at 3, so it would have to be between 1-3. Mark? Feel free to set it up.

Ivan Lieben, Assistant Regional Counsel U.S. EPA Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105 (415) 972-3914

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From: Zhang, Xiao

Sent: Monday, March 24, 2014 4:26 PM

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**Subject:** RE: A phone conference re Blue Lake Power?

I'm going to be out this Friday but the other dates work for me.

From: ndiamond1@gmail.com [mailto:ndiamond1@gmail.com] On Behalf Of Nancy Diamond

**Sent:** Monday, March 24, 2014 4:00 PM

To: Lieben, Ivan; Zhang, Xiao

Subject: A phone conference re Blue Lake Power?

Hi Ivan and Xiao,

I understand that Blue Lake Power has responded to the NOV and asked to meet, I believe the date we are all reserving is April 18. We at the District are wondering if we can set up a phone conference before then to talk with you about the previous PSD analysis.

We are free this Friday afternoon (the 28th), Monday afternoon (the 31rst) or Wednesday April 2. Do any of those times work for you?

Thanks so much.

Nancy

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Nancy Diamond, Esq. Law Offices of Nancy Diamond 822 G. Street, Suite 3 Arcata, CA 95521 ndiamond@ndiamondlaw.com Telephone: (707) 826-8540 Facsimile: (707) 826-8541

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From: Christenson, Kara

Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2014 1:37 PM

**To:** Lieben, Ivan; Sims, Mark

**Subject:** FW: Looking for Information on Blue Lake Power/ Ultra Power 3 / Renewable Energy

**Providers** 

Hi – I assume you have responded to her . . .

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Per Mark Sims: This should also be given to the Enforcement Office. Mark also told me that he will let us know about the assurance of payment and also may need an extension

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**To:** Buchanan, Tiffini

**Cc:** Sims, Mark;Chew, Andrew;Rios, Gerardo;Wilder, Ceciley;Jones, Bernard;Johnson, Ivry

**Subject:** RE: FOIA Assignment for EPA-R9-2014-004671

### Hi Tiffini,

Thanks for forwarding this to me. If you could try to narrow down the scope, that would be great (and please let us know what the narrowing means). If Mark or Andrew have permitting files, they should provide a cost estimate and then the files to you after you're able to see if narrowing is possible. For enforcement files, we'll take care of the response (unless they don't want enforcement files).

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To: Chew, Andrew

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**Providers** 

Thanks, Andrew. I will work on narrowing down the request right now. Good idea. Thanks for getting back to me. I'll also wait to hear if Mark has anything as well.

From: Chew, Andrew

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 11:22 AM

To: Buchanan, Tiffini

Cc: Sims, Mark; Salazar, Matt

Subject: RE: Looking for Information on Blue Lake Power/ Ultra Power 3 / Renewable Energy Providers

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**From:** Basinger, David

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 18, 2014 11:20 AM

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Cc: Sims, Mark

**Subject:** RE: Looking for Information on Blue Lake Power/ Ultra Power 3 / Renewable Energy

**Providers** 

### I don't have anything, but Mark Sims might have responsive documents

## Dave Basinger

Environmental Engineer, Air & TRI Enforcement Enforcement Division, Mail Code ENF-2-1 office 415.972.3506 fax 415.947.3545 (include name and mail code) please consider the environment before printing this

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### Mark

415-972-3965

From: Glenn Zane [mailto:gzane@CRSINET.COM]
Sent: Saturday, January 18, 2014 12:49 PM

To: Sims, Mark

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From: Sims, Mark

Sent: Thursday, January 09, 2014 10:38 AM

**To:** Zabel, Allan;Israels, Ken

**Subject:** Remarkable!

### Wow!

From: Anaya, Mercedes

Sent: Thursday, January 09, 2014 10:25 AM

**To:** Sims, Mark

Subject: RE: 2nd BLP 114 (For Enf Div Reading File)

# Good morning Mark, Enforcement do not have reading files, so I do not need copy of the letters.

From: Sims, Mark

Sent: Thursday, January 09, 2014 10:21 AM

To: Anaya, Mercedes

**Subject:** FW: 2nd BLP 114 (For Enf Div Reading File)

Hi Mercedes,

Attached is a pdf of the signed/dated 114 letter for Blue Lake Power (for the Enforcement Division reading file).

# Mark 2-3965

From: Sims, Mark

Sent: Wednesday, January 08, 2014 2:58 PM

To: Zhang, Xiao; Lieben, Ivan

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**From:** Al Steer [mailto:asteer@ncuaqmd.org] **Sent:** Monday, December 16, 2013 1:28 PM

To: Salazar, Matt

Subject: Re: FW: Blue Lake Power (BLP)

# Hi Matt,

The proposed permit will be in their hands in the next two weeks. We hope to have the final permit in their hands before the end of February.

On Mon, Dec 16, 2013 at 12:04 PM, Salazar, Matt < Salazar. Matt@epa.gov > wrote:

Hi Al,

Quick question. Do you mean a proposed Title V permit or a final one?

Thanks,

Matt

From: Salazar, Matt

**Sent:** Monday, December 16, 2013 10:18 AM

To: alsteer@ncuagmd.org

**Subject:** RE: Blue Lake Power (BLP)

Hi Al,

Thanks for the heads up.

Matt

From: Al Steer [mailto:asteer@ncuaqmd.org]
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To: Salazar, Matt

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# Hi Matt

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Respectfully,

Al Steer

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From: Salazar, Matt

**Sent:** Monday, December 16, 2013 12:57 PM **To:** Lieben, Ivan;Sims, Mark;Zhang, Xiao

**Subject:** FW: Blue Lake Power

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**From:** Rick Martin [mailto:rmartin@ncuaqmd.org] **Sent:** Monday, December 16, 2013 12:43 PM

To: Salazar, Matt

Subject: Blue Lake Power

Hi Matt - I want to follow up on Al's e-mail earlier today. BLP's TV renewal has gone through public comment and a preliminary review by the Permits Group there at EPA. We have received a few good suggestions from EPA that we've incorporated into the permit.

We're getting ready to send it to R9 for your 45 day review. I don't know how much of this Al passed on to you, but I wanted him to make sure you knew where the permit was in the review process so that you could touch base with EPA's permitting group if you needed.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Rick

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Rick Martin Air Pollution Control Officer North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District

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From: Salazar, Matt

Sent: Monday, December 16, 2013 10:18 AM

To: alsteer@ncuaqmd.org
Subject: RE: Blue Lake Power (BLP)

Hi Al,

Thanks for the heads up.

Matt

**From:** Al Steer [mailto:asteer@ncuaqmd.org] **Sent:** Friday, December 13, 2013 4:09 PM

**To:** Salazar, Matt

Subject: Blue Lake Power (BLP)

# Hi Matt

Just a heads up that in about February, we will be issuing a new Title V permit to BLP.

## Respectfully,

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From: Sims, Mark

Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 1:12 PM

To: Zhang, Xiao Cc: Lieben, Ivan

**Subject:** FW: Blue Lake Power, North Coast

From: Salazar, Matt

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 4:35 PM

To: Sims, Mark; Lieben, Ivan

Cc: Jones, Joel E.

**Subject:** FW: Blue Lake Power, North Coast

### Hi Mark and Ivan,

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Thanks, Matt

From: Al Steer [mailto:asteer@ncuaqmd.org]
Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 12:41 PM

**To:** Salazar, Matt

Subject: Blue Lake Power, North Coast

# Hi Matt

# Any movement with the BLP case?

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From: Sims, Mark

Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 12:32 PM

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**Cc:** Jones, Joel E.

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From: Sims, Mark

Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2013 10:13 AM

To: Zhang, Xiao

**Subject:** Accepted: Blue Lake Power 114 Request

From: Luckhardt, Jane <JLuckhardt@DowneyBrand.com>

Sent: Tuesday, October 01, 2013 8:27 AM

To: Lieben, Ivan
Cc: Sims, Mark

**Subject:** RE: Review of submitted Blue Lake Power documents

Ivan – I was out on Friday, but have read your request. I will forward the request on to my client. Please remember that this is a 10 MW biomass plant and much of the information you request does not exist. For example, I have not seen anything that resembles an engineering study for any work done on the facility. I know this may be difficult to understand given the responses you get from larger facilities. Nonetheless, I will ask them to review your request again to be sure there is nothing else they can provide.

Jane

Jane E. Luckhardt

## Advancing your interests.

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From: Lieben, Ivan [mailto:Lieben.Ivan@epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2013 2:08 PM

**To:** Luckhardt, Jane **Cc:** Sims, Mark

**Subject:** Review of submitted Blue Lake Power documents

### Dear Jane:

After an initial review of Blue Lake Power's September 13 and September 23 responses to EPA's July 16, 2013 information request, we have determined that the responses to Requests #19 and #20 do not appear to be complete and seek the following additional information/details:

- Request #19 requires that Blue Lake Power provide with specificity in a chart form, a list of each and every individual project with a cost of greater than \$5,000. There are a number of items if information that must be included in that chart, including the date construction commenced on the project, the project description, the in-service date, etc. While Blue Lake did provide a chart as part of its September 23 submittal that it claimed to be responsive to this Request and identified projects that totaled over \$6,000,000 in cost, the chart did not contain any of the specificity required by the Request. Projects were grouped on an annual basis (rather than on a per project basis), had no description of the work performed, and were grouped by facility or process unit rather than individual projects. As part of its next deliverable on October 23, Blue Lake Power shall conform its response for this Request to include a chart with the required specificity and detail.

- Request #20 requires the submittal of various documents, including contracts, approvals, purchase orders, engineering studies, etc., associated with the projects identified in response to Request #19 with a cost of over \$25,000. While Blue Lake Power identified over \$6,000,000 spent from 2008-2010 on projects in response to Request #19, it provided a single 2008 contract that covers only around \$1,000,000 of work in its response to Request #20. Given the magnitude of the work performed and the large costs expended on these projects, EPA believes that there must be additional responsive documentation pertaining to the identified projects. Please ensure that Blue Lake Power diligently searches and provides all information and documents in its, its employees', and/or its contractors' control and/or possession responsive to Request #20 as part of its October 23 submittal.

As a reminder, Blue Lake Power has an affirmative duty to respond completely, fully and timely to the Section 114 information request, as modified by the August 16 email from Mr. Mark Sims to Mr. Glenn Zane, and any failure to do so could subject Blue Lake Power to penalties, an order to comply, or other appropriate relief under the Clean Air Act. Nothing in this email limits EPA from identifying additional deficiencies in any of Blue Lake Power's responsive submittals to the information request. We look forward to receiving Blue Lake Power's next and final submittal of responsive documents postmarked no later than October 23.

### Sincerely yours,

Ivan Lieben, Assistant Regional Counsel U.S. EPA Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105 (415) 972-3914

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